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1. BUNGEI SHUNJU SEPTEMBER ISSUE CARRIES ARTICLE ENTITLED "SOCIALIST PARTY FUNERAL MARCH" WHICH PURPORTEDLY REVEALS NEW INFORMATION CONCERNING UNREPORTED DONATIONS BY BIG BUSINESS TO PARTY FOR ELECTORAL AND HEADQUARTERS CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES. CHARGES CONCERNING FINANCING OF JSP HEADQUARTERS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION APPEAR TO BE EXPANSION OF RECENT JCP ALLEGATIONS (REFTEL).

2. JSP INTERNATIONAL BUREAU STAFFER SUGIYAMA TOOK NONCHALANT VIEW OF ARTICLE, CALLING IT HEAP OF NONSENSE. HE SAID AUTHOR TOSHIKI KAMINOGO IS A RIGHT WING JOURNALIST, NOT A COMMUNIST.

3. COMMENT. WHILE CURSORY READING OF ARTICLE SUGGESTS CHARGES ARE NOT NEW, IT IS RARE FOR MAGAZINE HERE TO NAME NAMES AND PROVIDE SUCH OTHER POSSIBLY LIBELOUS DETAIL ABOUT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN POLITICIANS AND THOSE WHO FUND THEM. IT IS STILL TOO EARLY TO PREDICT WHETHER ARTICLE IS SIMPLY BUNGEI SHUNGU ATTEMPT TO CASH IN ON EARLIER TANAKA EXPOSE WHICH WILL QUICKLY BLOW OVER OR WHETHER IT WILL SET OFF CHAIN REACTION LEADING, IN

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